Food Programming with Teens

Let's Cook Dinner!

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Teens & Food



Kentucky ranks 4th highest in the nation for poverty.

Kentucky ranks 17th in household food insecurity with a rate of 17.2%.

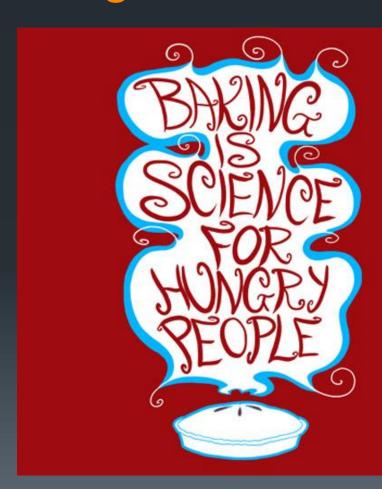
Kentucky ranks 28th in child food insecurity with a rate of 22.4%.

http://www.feedingamericaky.org/truth-about-hunger/kentucky-statistics

"all food is free food"



Cooking Programs are STEAM Programs.





Kitchens are Maker Spaces.



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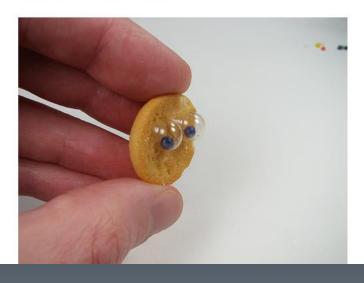
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it's easy to connect to your collection

we all have lots of cookbooks, right?

Why Cook Dinner Together?

- Community!
- Life Skills!
- Impresses Everyone!



Teens Cook: Let's Make Dinner

Recipe Tuesday, July 28, 6-8pm

Servings Grades 6.12

Ingredients

Directions

Let's all make a delicious dinner together!

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If you have any food allergies, please email

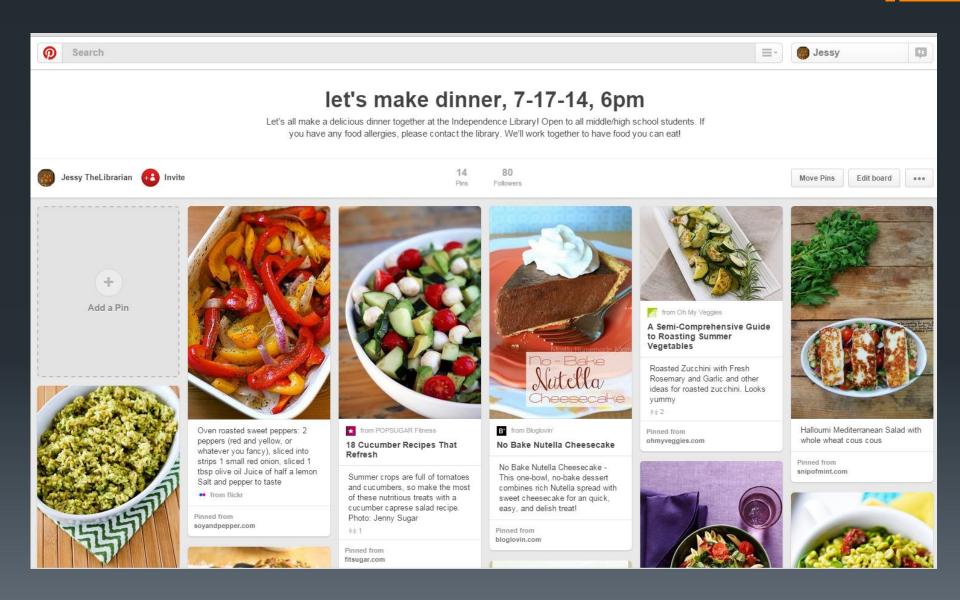
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We'll work together to have food you can eat!

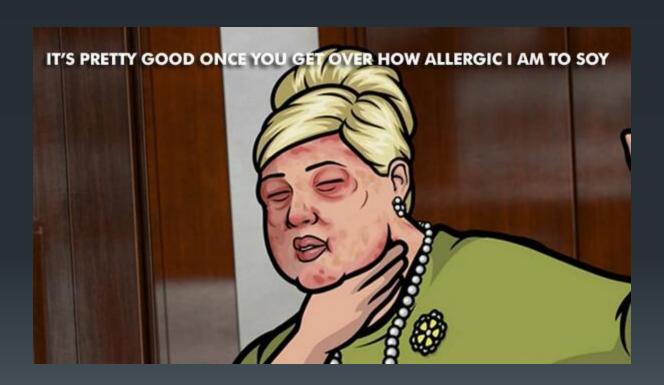
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allergies



menu

- pasta/rice with pesto
- green salad
- roast bell peppers
- garlic bread
- nutella tarts with
 - whipped cream
 - berries



lots of different tasks for teens with different skill levels

- whip cream!
- fill tart shells!
- place berries!
- cut up veggies for salad!
- cut up peppers!
- prepare garlic bread!
- blend pesto!
- set the table!



minimize down time



Teens Prep, Librarian Cooks.



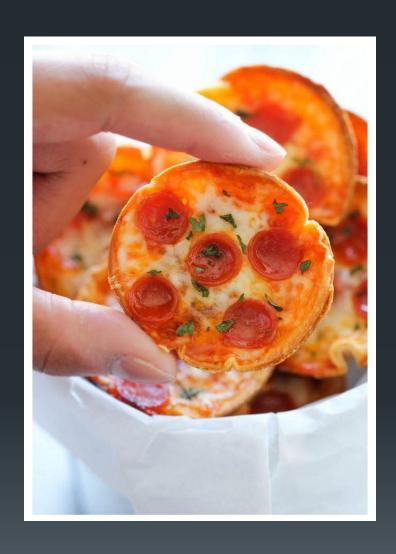
and then we all sit down and eat dinner together!



other Teens Cook programs

- can be broken down into many tasks
- lots of prep, little actual cooking
- basic construction but lots of variables
- minimize waiting time:
 - no letting sit
 - no rising





"pizza muffins"

- mini deep dish pizzas
- muffin pan
- flour tortillas or dough
- lots of toppings!

make your own salsa

- not just from jars in stores!
- quickly became "how hot can Jessy the Librarian handle?"
- bumper tomato crop?
 - solicit donations!



smoothies and parfaits



trying new foods



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